

# World Kidney Day & Measles Awareness Week

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## At SGMC (18/03/2024)

Indian Academy of Pediatrics, Thiruvananthapuram in conjunction with Department of Pediatrics, Sree Gokulam Medical College and Research Foundation, commemorated World Kidney Day and Measles Awareness Week on 18th of March, 2024. The event comprised of a Health Awareness programme spanning two sessions in regard to World Kidney Day and Measles Awareness Week respectively.

The sessions were chaired by Dr Swapna K. Pillai, Professor, Department of Pediatrics, SGMC.

A talk on Urinary Tract Infection, a clinical entity of rising incidence among children, was spearheaded by Dr Sajna Jaffar. The talk in general covered an approach to UTI in children and encompassed aspects such as etiology, clinical manifestations, pathogenesis, diagnosis, management, complications of the same. The pinnacle of the talk was indeed the stress on prevention of Acute Kidney Injury and End Organ Damage in the aftermath of UTI.

Following this, Dr A. K. Seyadali delivered an interesting talk on Measles Vaccination and Prevention. The talk emphasized on the importance of timely immunization with measles vaccine, completion of all recommended doses duly, and the tremendous advantages of sticking to such an apt immunization schedule. He also touched upon the complications prevented with vaccination.

Then, the session proceeded to an open discussion of the same. The abstract of the two themes were dissected and analysed by the chair, Dr Swapna. The participants poured in their share of insights imparting more rationality to the session.

Members of faculty, staff, resident doctors, interns and trainees of the department were in attendance. The event concluded with genuine appraisal for the topics discussed, as they are of absolute relevance today.



